

CITY OF THE DALLES Department of Public Works 1215 West 1st Street The Dalles, Oregon 97058

PRESS RELEASE

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TOPIC:	Announcement of the City's 50/50 Sidewalk Rehabilitation Program
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City of the Dalles is re-announcing its 50/50 Sidewalk Rehabilitation Program to help property owners rehabilitate deteriorated sidewalks. The City of The Dalles Municipal Code 2.20.010 provides that it is the responsibility of property owners to maintain public sidewalks adjacent to their properties "in good repair and a safe condition." The Dalles Municipal Code also identifies that the adjacent real property owner bears the legal liability "for any personal injury or property damage which occurs because of the owner's failure to maintain the sidewalk in good repair or a safe condition." The 50/50 Sidewalk Rehabilitation Program will help provide some financial assistance to property owners to meet that responsibility.

The City will consider applications for the rehabilitation or replacement of existing



The City of The Dalles is accepting applications for a cost sharing program to rehabilitate sidewalks until June 30, 2023 or until funds run out. Apply online at thedalles.org/publicworksdocs

sidewalks. The program will not apply to the construction of new sidewalks that are a required condition as a result of an approved building permit/development project. The program will focus on sidewalks located in residential areas within the city limits first, followed by commercial and/or public-facility owned properties (such as churches, landmarks, etc.) after January 1, 2023 if funding remains. Applicants for this program must be the property owner.

The City is currently budgeting \$50,000 in the 2022/2023 Fiscal Year budget to contribute toward projects approved in this Program and will accept applications until June 30, 2023 or until the budgeted funding amount runs out, whichever comes first. With this program, the City will pay for half of the costs of an approved project and the property owner will pay for half of the cost of an approved project.

Please see the City of The Dalles 50/50 Sidewalk Rehabilitation Program Application for details and project requirements regarding this Program. Property owners can download an application from the City website at thedalles.org/publicworksdocs. If you do not have access to the internet, please call (541) 296-5401 to ask for a paper copy.

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